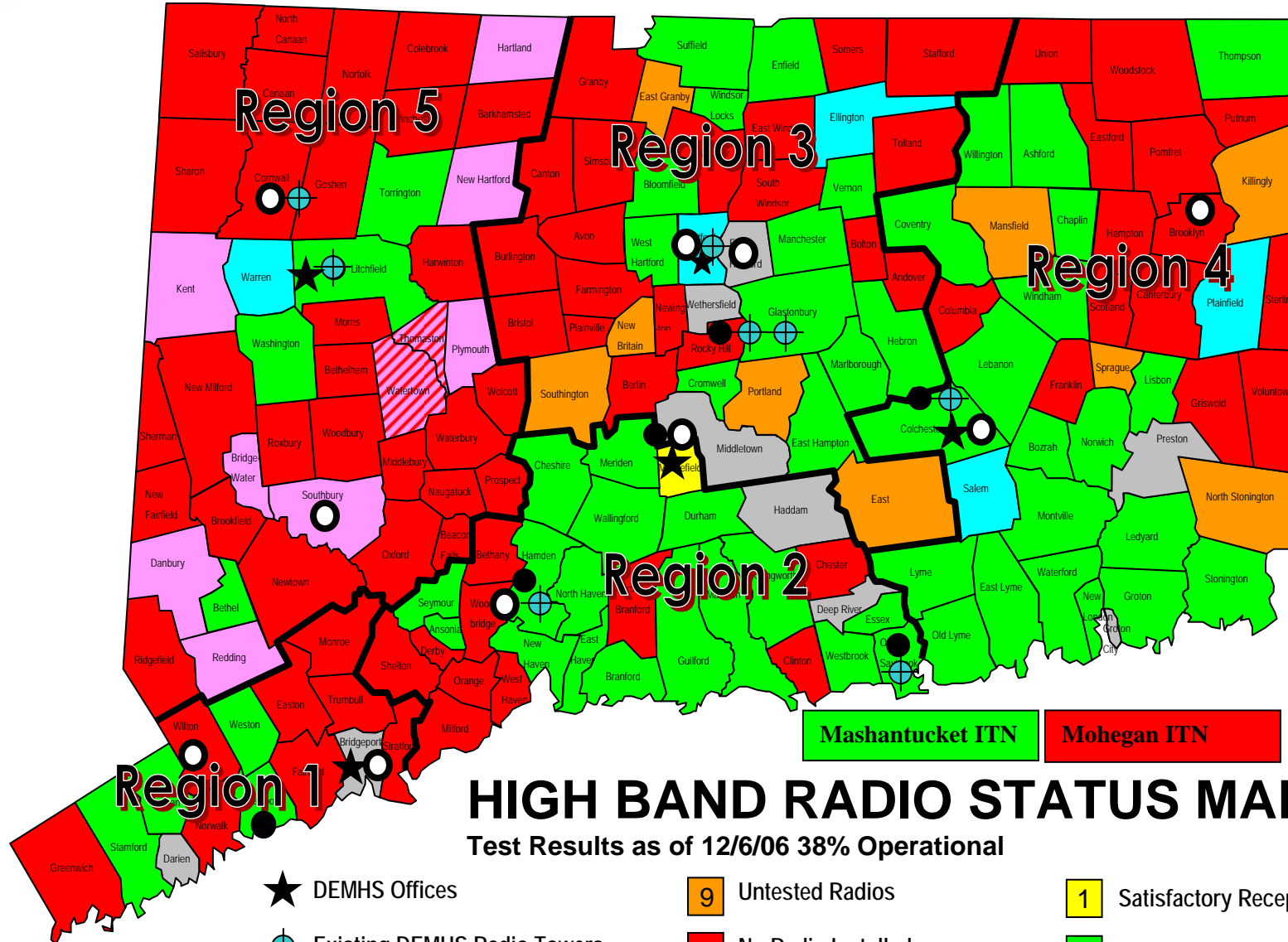




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DEPARTMENT OF
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY



HIGH BAND RADIO STATUS MAP

Test Results as of 12/6/06 38% Operational

- ★ DEMHS Offices
- ⊕ Existing DEMHS Radio Towers
- Existing DEMHS Base Stations
- Base Station Radios scheduled to be installed in December.
- 9 Untested Radios
- 80 No Radio Installed
- 9 Unsatisfactory Reception
- 5 Temporary Pass Using Shared, Portable or Mobile Radio
- 1 Satisfactory Reception
- 59 Loud and Clear
- 10 State Network Link Needed
- 2 No Radio and Network Link Needed

Recently completed After Action Reports (AARs) for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita from the Gulf Coast have strongly recommended that a robust and redundant emergency communications system would have resulted in a much more effective response to those storms. After reviewing the AAR findings, Commissioner Skip Thomas of the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, is requiring, as a condition of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Performance Grants, that all municipal Emergency Operations Centers (EOC's) are to be equipped with a high-band radio by September 30, 2007.

In a catastrophic emergency, Connecticut's high band radio system will be utilized for vital telecommunications of an Emergency Management nature and Homeland Security nature to allow the State of Connecticut to communicate with its municipalities. It may also be used for communications between municipalities for Emergency Management and Homeland Security purposes where no other system exists.

This map shows the status of Connecticut's efforts to enhance our existing high band radio communications system. In the past 30 days a total of 65 towns have come on-line and tested their high band radio equipment. Within the next 10 months, the remaining towns in Connecticut will install and test their high band radio equipment and DEMHS plans to have the system fully operational by next September.